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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner acknowledge the certified copy of priority application JP 2003-301039, filed in Japan on August 26, 2003, and submitted to the U.S. Patent Office on March 29, 2004.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney if any questions regarding this paper should arise.

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